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SUBJECT: THIRD MEETING OF BISMUTH INSTITUTE

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SUMMARY

IN THIRD MEETING OF BISMUTH INSTITUTE HELD IN LA PAZ ON FEBRUARY 24 AND 25 NEW USES FOR BISMUTH IN VETERINARY MEDICINE AND AS AN ALUMINUM-BUSMUTH ALLOY WERE DISCUSSED. INSTITUTE FORMED FOR EXCLUSIVE PURPOSE OF STUDYING AND PROMOTING NEW WORLD WIDE USES FOR BISMUTH.

1. PROCESS PATENTED IN FRANCE USING BISMUTH TO CURE CATTLE AND HOGS AFFECTED WITH COLITIS ANNOUNCED AT MEETING. ALSO ALLOY OF ALUMINUM AND BISMUTH, TO BE USED IN DOOR AND WINDOW FRAMES AND OTHER ARTIFACTS FOUND TO KEEP LUSTER INSPITE OF WEATHERING EFFECTS. INSTITUTE BUDGETED US\$ 35,000 FOR FURTHER INVESTIGATIONS IN EUROPE.

2. INSTITUTE CREATED IN 1973, AND HAS INFORMATION CENTER IN BRUSSELS BUT HAS LA PAZ AS CENTER OF OPERATIONS.

3. HANS R. BAUER FROM MINERAL & CHEMICAL PRODUCTS (BRITAIN) RATIFIED AS PRESIDENT; GENERAL MANAGER COMIBOL, VICE PRESIDENT;
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AND EXECUTIVE SECRETARY PEDRO ZILVETTI, COMIBOL'S COMMERCIAL REPRESENTATIVE IN US.

4. OTHER FIRMS FROM FOLLOWING COUNTRIES ALSO REPRESENTED AT MEETING; PERU, AUSTRALIA, BELGIUM, AND FRANCE.

5. COMMENT: BOLIVIA REPORTEDLY LEADING WORLD BISMUTH PRODUCER IN 1974; EXPORTS IN 1974 AMOUNTED TO APPROXIMATELY 712 METRIC TONS.
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